

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary just days before the election is a blatant example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair abuses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law and by moral honor to serve the public interest. But when a few very large corporations control our airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and little of what we need for our democracy. We need to see local people from our own communities and substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to hold the media accountable to the people. Thank you.